

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 26 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Monday 27 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Sunday 26 Mar 2023 at 03:55 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high confidence for cold, showery conditions on Sunday, dry Monday and turning wetter and milder from Tuesday.

Headline for Sunday 26 Mar 2023: Bitterly cold. Cloudy morning, sunny spells in the afternoon, snow showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

High Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Light snow	Light snow	Light snow	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
40%	60%	60%	40%	20%	<05%

Forecast for Sunday 26 Mar 2023

Weather: A cloudy morning, bright then sunny spells increasing through the afternoon. Scattered snow showers, mainly over the Cairngorms and Monadhliath hills, but a few may make it across to western ranges. Mainly dry in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 40% during the morning, improving to 70% in the afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Poor or very poor visibility in snow with broken cloud base 700m at first, soon breaking up. Otherwise good visibility but temporarily reducing to poor or very poor in snow showers, with scattered low cloud, base 400-600m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	21/27 NE	24/30 N	23/30 N	23/31 N	24/32 N	23/30 N	21/27 NW
900	18/21 NE	19/23 N	18/24 N	19/25 N	18/24 N	17/22 N	14/18 NW
600	9/12 NE	13/17 N	13/18 N	14/20 N	11/16 N	9/14 N	7/11 NW
300	6/13 NE	10/20 N	10/22 N	10/21 N	7/16 N	5/13 NW	4/11 NW
Glen	4/14 N	5/17 N	7/19 N	7/19 N	5/16 N	4/14 NW	4/14 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-7/-16	-8/-18	-8/-18	-8/-18	-9/-19	-9/-19	-10/-19
900	-4/-11	-4/-12	-4/-12	-4/-12	-5/-13	-6/-14	-7/-14
600	-2/-6	-2/-8	-2/-7	-2/-8	-3/-8	-4/-9	-4/-9
300	0/-2	1/-3	2/-2	1/-3	0/-4	-2/-5	-3/-5
Glen	0/-3	1/-2	3/-1	3/-1	1/-2	-1/-4	-3/-6
Freezing Level*	300m	200m	100m	00m	00m	00m	00m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Be aware of the very cold feels like temperatures at height, despite the sunshine.

Forecast for Monday 27 Mar 2023

Weather: Increasingly clear skies through the early hours. Then dry with prolonged sunshine throughout the day. High cloud spreading east overnight.

Maximum wind: Northerly 10-15 mph at first, becoming light, then southwesterly 10-15 mph gust 25 mph by evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: >90%

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 2 rising to plus 6 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 7 rising to minus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: At the surface, rising to 400m later.